IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

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KALYAN K. DESHPANDE Serial No. 09/963,960

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For: LARGE-SCALE SUPPLY CHAIN Confirmation No.: 1567 PLANNING SYSTEM AND METHOD

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MAIL STOP: AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated 22 February 2007, which provides for a response period ending 22 May 2007. The Applicant is submitting this Amendment within two (2) months (on 23 April 2007, since 22 April 2007 is a Sunday) of the date of the Final Office Action. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.